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WE DESIRE to make the First National the Bank of the People. The small depositor receives the same courteous treatment and consideration that is extended to the largest, within the limits of safe and conservative banking. Officers give personal attention to all details. Directors meet regularly and frequently, and keep closely in touch with the current business. Every safeguard known to safe and successful banking is availed of, and our past success is the best criterion by which to judge the security of the future.



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ESTABLISHED 1891

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"Copy of a letter written by our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

"Found 18 miles from Iconium 45 years after our blessed Savior's crucifixion, transmitted from the holy city by a converted Jew, inal Hebrew copy now in pos- this money instead of the other." session of the Lady Cuba's family in Mesopotamia.

This letter was written by Jesus Christ and found under a great top of the cross 18 miles from In-cents is more than 5?" conium, near a village called Mesopotamia."

The following inducement to buy is published at the close of the letter, and is justly regarded as a sacrilege of the worst char- CINGER SEWING

"And whosoever shall have a copy of this letter, written with my own hand, and keep it in their house, nothing shall hurt them, neither pestilence, lightning, nor thunder shall do them any harm. You shall have no answer from me, but by the holy scripture, until the judgment day. All goodness and prosperity shall be in the house where a copy of this letter shall be found."-Pittsburg Times.

A Young Financier.

Four-year-old James was, unfortunately, very much of a coward. For particulars apply to De was afraid of his shadow, and really suffered when he had to go anywhere aloue.

This trait of his little son so worried his father that he tried very hard to make the child overcome it.

One night Mr. Persons said:

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lames, I will give you 10 cents if you will go up the front stairs and down the back by yourself."

At first James demurred, but finally started on a run, and in a very few minutes was in the libra-

'No, no, James," said his faththis letter have already been sold er, "that will never do. Brave boys don't run from the dark. Suppose you try it again."

This time the child went more slowly, though evidently much frightened.

"Since father's boy was so brave," said Mr. Parson, "here is a quarter for him."

Then, to test the child, he pulled out a nickel, saving: "Jim, faithfully translated from its orig- perhaps you would rather have

> "All right, 'replied James willingly handing back his first re-

"Why, James, dear," exclaimed stone, both round and large at the his mother, "don't you know 25

> 'Course I do,'' answered James but I can spend the 5 cents, and I'd have to put the quarter in my

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